

## LAURA MELINDA CURTIS - - WILLIAM E. RUDE

The eighth child of Louisa Griswold and Henry Banning Curtis, Laura Melinda Curtis (b. July 29, 1864; d. 1960), married William E. Rude (1866-1941). They and their son, Louis R., are interred in Clinton Cemetery. The tombstone reads as follows:

"William E. Rude 1866-1941"

"His Wife Laura M. Curtis 1864-1960"

"Son Louis R. Rude 1903-1921"

William E. Rude is one of the twin sons born to William N. Rude--a biographical sketch of whom is given on 3079-3080 of SRP--and Helen Fritz on May 7, 1866.

One of the sons of William E. Rude and Laura M. Curtis is DWIGHT WILLIAM RUDE (b. 1899), who with his wife (nee Remsen) presently reside at Ridge Farm, Clinton Township. That being the case, Dwight Rude and Edith Gardner are first cousins:

William E. Rude  
Laura M. Curtis

Milo M. Gardner  
Harriet Annis Curtis

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Dwight Rude

|  
Edith Gardner

On November 5, 1882, Laura Curtis wrote the following in Estella Squire's autograph book:

"'If Wisdom's ways you'd wisely seek,  
Five things observe with care;  
Of whom you speak, to whom you speak,  
And how, and when and where.'"

Your friend,

Laura Curtis

November 5, 1882"